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World Briefs

U.N. Palestine debate
JERUSALEM, March 22 (R)—A top Iraqi leader said today that Iraq would continue to have dealings with Egypt after it signed a peace treaty with Israel next week could be expected. "We mean that would facilitate the task of our Arab people," Saddam Hussein, the Vice-President of the Revolutionary Command Council was quoted by the Iraqi Press Agency as saying. He said that Arab countries which signed the treaty would be considered traitors if they did not deal with Egypt. Mr. Hussein said Iraq has called for a Baghdad summit next week to discuss the proposed peace treaty. Earlier today, Iraqi Foreign Minister Saadoun Hammadi called for a special session of the Arab League to discuss the Palestine question.

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Hussein may visit U.S. next May

WASHINGTON, March 22 (R)—King Hussein of Jordan may visit the United States in May to discuss the Egypt-Israel peace treaty as well as U.S.-Jordanian ties. State Department officials said today. Details remain to be worked out but the two countries are discussing a date in May, they said. King Hussein originally had been expected to visit Washington last October but called off the trip following President Carter's summit meeting with the leaders of Israel and Egypt at Camp David which resulted in the peace treaty negotiations. The comprehensive peace framework agreed on at Camp David foresees an integral role for Jordan in negotiations to bring about self-rule for Palestinians on the West Bank, which Israel captured from Jordan in the June 1967 war, but King Hussein has refused to have anything to do with them.

Jordan, PLO form high-level committee

By Nasr Al Mujali
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, March 22—A higher committee led by Prime Minister Badran and PLO Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat was formed today to discuss the results of the peace treaty.

The committee, which will meet in Amman, is expected to discuss the results of the peace treaty and the role of Jordan in the Middle East.

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Israel, U.S. to tie 'loose ends' before treaty signing on Monday

WASHINGTON, March 22 (R)—The United States and Israel are working to tie up "loose ends" before signing a peace treaty on Monday.

The agreement will define the extent of American involvement, as well as the degree of its responsibility in ensuring the treaty's implementation, the foreign minister said.

"We shall try to work out what would be the U.S. response if Egypt failed to honor the treaty," he added.

Mr. Dayan said he did not believe that future to conclude the agreement of understanding would delay the signing of the treaty.

In reply to questions, he said the setting of a date for Israeli evacuation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip was still to be settled.

Another remaining problem is a proposal that Israel should make a "friendly gesture" to Egypt by releasing a number of Palestinian political prisoners, Mr. Dayan said.

These and other questions will be discussed by him and Secretary of State Cyrus Vance as well as Mr. Begin and President Carter before the Monday signing ceremony, he said.

Another possible topic of discussion between the Israeli and American leaders is a mutual defence pact, according to Israeli press reports. Mr. Begin, on his return from a trip to Washington earlier this month, said the matter had been touched upon in his talks with Mr. Carter.

Mr. Begin, showing signs of strain and fatigue, summed up the debate and described the treaty as a "turning point" in relations with Egypt.

Mr. Begin repeated a declaration made in his opening remarks that Israel would never agree to the creation of an independent Palestinian state, would never withdraw to its pre-1967 borders and would not permit the redrawing of Jerusalem into Arab and Jewish sectors.

He agreed with many Knesset members that "serious problems will arise with Egypt and the U.S." over future negotiations on the granting of limited autonomy to the more than one million Arab residents in the occupied West Bank of Jordan and the Gaza Strip.

In Cairo, Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali said today his country had started discussions with "various Palestinian movements" to persuade them to negotiate with Israel.

Dr. Ghali's remarks, reported by the official Middle East News Agency (MENA), did not specify which Palestinian movements Egypt had approached. The Palestinian Liberation Organisation (PLO)—the umbrella of all Palestinian organisations—has already rejected the separate peace treaty.

Dr. Ghali said Egypt would not impose a solution on the Palestinians. "We will negotiate with Israel and will try to recommend a framework for Palestinian self-rule" on the Jordan West Bank and Gaza Strip, MENA quoted Dr. Ghali as saying.

The report said Prime Minister Menachem Begin had assured the coalition National Religious Party of imminent massive settlement activity on the West Bank to secure its support for the peace treaty in a vote by the Knesset early today.

The report added that existing settlements in the controversial region would be consolidated under the new scheme.

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Observers said increased settlement activity on the West Bank would signal Israel's intention to remain in full control of the area. Negotiations on the shape of autonomy are due to get underway towards the end of April.

There was no immediate official comment on the television report.

King returns from two-day Saudi visit

AMMAN, March 22 (R)—His Majesty King Hussein returned home today from a two-day visit to Saudi Arabia where he held talks with King Khalid and Crown Prince Fahd.

The Jordan News Agency (JNA) said the two monarchs reviewed bilateral issues and discussed ways and means to regain Arab rights and strengthen the Arab stand.

The separate Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty, due to be signed in Washington on Monday is believed to have been the main topic of their discussions.

The royal plane arrived in Amman this afternoon from Medina, where King Hussein visited the tomb of the Prophet Mohammed.

The King went to Medina at the end of his talks with King Khalid in Riyadh. Accompanying His Majesty on the visit were his sons, princes Abdullah and Faisal, Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Chief of the Royal Court Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf and other senior officials.

This morning, a meeting was held in Riyadh between Mr. Badran and Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal following their two-hour meeting in the Saudi capital last night.

Radio Riyadh said the meetings dealt with "bilateral relations and the latest developments in the Middle East." The radio quoted Prince Saud as saying that continued consultations were imperative, particularly in the "present critical circumstances."

Mr. Badran was quoted by the radio as saying that he and Prince Saud exchanged views on the latest political developments in the Middle East and analysed both the present situation and the future. They also discussed ways of boosting Arab solidarity, he added.

King Hussein and King Khalid held formal talks in Riyadh yesterday but there was no official statement on the summit talks. They were, however, believed to have dealt with coordinating the two countries' stands at an Arab foreign ministers conference in Baghdad on Tuesday, the day after the peace treaty signing ceremony.

The Jordanian-Saudi summit followed a visit to Saudi Arabia and Jordan by President Carter's National Security Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski in an apparently abortive bid to gain the support of the two Arab states for the peace pact.

In Beirut, a usually well-informed Lebanese news digest said today that Dr. Brzezinski told King Hussein that Jordan might not receive U.S. financial aid if he publicly opposed the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

The English-language Middle East Reporter quoted reliable sources as saying Dr. Brzezinski upset Jordanian and Saudi leaders during his visit last week and officials in Amman now referred to him as "the bully."

King Hussein accused the U.S. of using "arm-twisting" tactics to secure his support for the accord in American press interviews published yesterday, but the U.S. denied the charge.

An administration official in Washington denied that Mr. Brzezinski had implied there could be restrictions on future U.S. aid to Jordan if the King maintained his opposition to the treaty.

The Middle East Reporter said, however: "The U.S. official kept on telling King Hussein that if he publicly opposed the Egyptian-Israeli treaty, Congress will not act favourably on Jordanian requests for U.S. aid."

Jordan was promised \$1,250 million annually from an Arab fund set up to support states in direct confrontation with Israel. The Middle East Reporter said U.S. aid to Jordan was running at \$250 million annually.

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Ould Salek purges Polisario supporters

NOUAKCHOTT, Mauritania, March 22 (R)—President Mohamed Ould Salek has successfully staged a preemptive coup against pro-Algerian members of the military regime who were allegedly plotting a Marxist takeover in the huge West African desert nation, military and diplomatic sources reported Thursday.

In a proclamation Tuesday, President Salek announced he was personally taking unlimited powers to deal with the "exceptional situation" facing Mauritania.

He said further that he was determined to put an end to the three-year-old guerrilla war against the Algerian-sponsored Polisario independence movement in the former Spanish Sahara.

On Wednesday, he announced he had fired all but one of the known Polisario sympathisers within his own government.

Western diplomats in Nouakchott had warned President Salek for weeks that a leftist group within his military regime was plotting to swing the 460,000-square-mile nation into the growing zone of Soviet influence in Africa that includes Algeria, Libya, Ethiopia and Angola.

Dropped from the government without public explanation were Interior Minister Muj. Jidou Ould Salek, regarded as the leader of the pro-Algerian faction, Finance Minister Sid Ahmed Ould Bneijara, Transport Minister Col. Viyah Ould Maynouf and Civil Service Minister Mohamed Ould Bredeleil.

Jidou Ould Salek—no direct relation of the president—was also a member of the ruling military committee and through his control of police and para-military forces was widely seen as the strong man of the regime.

The committee seized power in a bloodless coup on July 10, 1978, accusing former President Mokhtar Ould Daddah of squandering the nation's wealth and manpower in the stalemate guerrilla war.

The pro-Polisario members of Salek's regime were trying to persuade him to reverse alliance and bring Mauritania into the war on the side of the guerrillas to help drive the Moroccans out of the Sahara.

Salek's proclamation indicated that he was still ready to abandon the Mauritanian sector but would not turn against Mauritania's friends in Morocco.

Israel to launch major settlement on W. Bank

TEL AVIV, March 22 (R)—Israel intends to launch a major settlement project on the occupied West Bank of Jordan after the signing of a peace treaty with Egypt next week, the state television reported tonight.

The television report said at least 10 new outposts would be established in the West Bank in the near future.

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Bouabid appointed Moroccan premier

RABAT, March 22 (R)—King Hassan of Morocco today appointed Maati Bouabid as prime minister to replace Ahmed Osman who resigned yesterday.

Mr. Bouabid, a 52-year-old former Casablanca lawyer, was appointed minister of justice in October 1977. Sources close to the government said there would be further important cabinet changes soon.

Mr. Osman resigned to devote himself to a new political party which he formed last year.

The new premier was closely associated with the Moroccan labour movement in the early days of independence, and later became a prominent militant in the socialist opposition party, the National Union of Popular Forces (UNFP).

He was elected to parliament in 1977 as a private individual, and the UNFP excluded him from the party.

Regional Briefs

DON, March 22 (R)—Foreign Secretary David Owen said in a speech yesterday there was no case for the reassertion of a military presence in the Arabian Gulf. He was answering criticism from conservative members who said they were concerned about the stability and security of oil supplies in the region following the revolution in Iran. Dr. Owen agreed that a study on how to deal with the Arab states could work "as friends and partners" and that the Gulf states themselves wished to make their own decisions although they expected friends such as Britain to support them if necessary.

D, March 22 (R)—Norway today said the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty to be signed next Monday in Washington, reported a decisive step on the road to an extensive peace settlement in the Middle East. A statement by the Norwegian government praised President Carter, President Sadat and Prime Minister Begin for their peace efforts. "Further negotiations will lead to a settlement that takes into account Israel's security, the legitimate national rights of the Palestinians," the statement said. Norway hoped that all Arab countries would find it possible to contribute to the solution of these problems which would be fundamental for the future of the area and for lasting peace.

ICAN CITY, March 22 (R)—The Vatican newspaper servatore Romano said today it hoped the forthcoming peace treaty between Israel and Egypt would extend to other nations in the Middle East. The paper, commenting on the treaty only hours after it was signed, said the signing would be an occasion of great importance. "We hope the treaty will develop an ulterior dynamic so that it extends to other states and populations in the Middle East," l'Osservatore said.

DRID, March 22 (AP)—Egyptian President Anwar Sadat will dine with King Juan Carlos and Premier Adolfo Suarez today when he makes a stopover in Madrid on his way to Washington to sign the peace treaty with Israel, the news agency Europa Press quoted authorised sources as saying. Europa Press said that prior to dinner "it appears very likely the king and the president will have a meeting to discuss the peace treaty between Israel and Egypt." The Spanish foreign ministry Wednesday said "Spain's attitude on the Arab-Israeli issue has not changed and that it still feels 'there is a need to find a just, global and lasting solution to the Middle East problem which respects national rights of Palestinians within the framework of resolutions of the United Nations.'"

IRIS, March 22 (R)—The French government's Technical Aid Organisation (SATEC) has received an order from the Libyan government worth 390 million francs (\$90 million) to convert 100 hectares of desert into arable land, informed sources said today. The aim will be to produce 15,000 tonnes of wheat and 5,000 tonnes of animal fodder annually for the Libyan market. The project, some 600 km south of Benghazi, will be managed by SATEC for three years before being handed over to the Libyans, sources said. SATEC is to install irrigation equipment, agricultural material and buildings in the area.

AVIV, March 22 (R)—Seventy per cent of adult Jewish Israelis are in favour of a defence pact with the United States, according to a public opinion poll published here today. The poll is taken by the Hebrew University's institutes for applied social research and for mass communications, and published in the afternoon daily paper Yediot Aharonot. A smaller majority—66 per cent—were in favour of U.S. guarantees for Israel. The poll, taken at the end of President Carter's visit to Israel last week, showed an increase in the confidence of Israelis in U.S. promises to its allies. Sixty six per cent expressed confidence last week compared with 33 per cent in February.

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Jordan Valley dig gets surprise help



A view of the trench containing the complex commonly supposed to have been used for glass making. The smooth disc-like raise in the top right hand corner of the excavation looks like an oven and immediately to its left are the small round openings channels, possibly used for carrying water.



The Islamic burial ground that was uncovered by Mr. Salehman last year.

Moment of destiny

JORDAN IS LIVING out a moment of destiny, and comes to that moment with the strength and assurance gained from 30 years of living at the very heart of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

His Majesty King Hussein's wisdom, confidence and experience, which played the key role in producing the historic Arab consensus that arose out of last November's Baghdad Arab summit, has once again been sought out and made available in the current round of consultations on co-ordinating policy to confront the signing next week of the separate Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

His Highness Crown Prince Hassan's analysis of the security dangers inherent in the peace treaty, first published in the Jordan Times yesterday, has been picked up and broadcast by news agencies around the world.

In Washington and the capitals of Europe, particularly, there is intense interest in where Jordan stands at this portentous moment. The Western tendency to "compartmentalise" countries or leaders according to either the wishful thinking or blind insensitivities inherent in Western policy, is suffering a severe blow as a result. This is so not because Jordan is pursuing a policy contrary to those interests, but because it is standing up and telling those powers that their priorities are dangerously wrong, and that those self-same interests will suffer as a result.

Jordan has provided meticulous documentary evidence to support its firm belief that the Camp David formula will lead not to the peace that President Carter so fervently seeks, but to decades of uncertainty during which an intrinsically expansionist Israel will be able to pursue its expansionist tendencies with impunity. King Hussein has warned of the "psychological and strategic gap" which the treaty will create. Prince Hassan has spelled out the contradictions in the fact that the treaty will hand Israel short-term security gains at the expense of the long-term security interests of Arab and Western states alike.

These two leaders speak from their nation's heart. Evidence of that is the one-hour symbolic work stoppage which Jordan's professional associations and trade unions have commendably planned for next Monday, when the treaty is expected to be signed.

Jordan cannot be taken for granted. It can be counted on to look after its own national interests above all, and to work harder than ever for the sacred Arab national rights of which it has become a seasoned champion.

By Breda Finegan
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, March 22—An archaeological excavation in the Jordan Valley is not such an unusual happening these days—except when it is being done at the request of and with the financial backing of a private company not even remotely connected with archaeology.

To the astonishment and delight of the Department of Antiquities, Amiantit Jordan Company Ltd. actually offered to finance excavations work on a site uncovered accidentally last year at the Amiantit asbestos cement and plastic pipe factory near the Dead Sea.

In doing so Amiantit becomes the first company to have engaged in what Dr. Adnan Hadidi, the Director of the Department of Antiquities, calls "industrial-archaeological cooperation."

Miss Alison Betts, a pre-historian who is spending the best part of this year as the senior scholar at the British Institute at Amman for Archaeology and History, has just returned to Amman after directing the latest digging operation at the site, called Tel Sarabit (meaning mound of the little columns), for the past five weeks.

An early examination of some pottery shards uncovered by the department last year seemed to indicate that the site could date back to the Chalcolithic period

(4,500-3,300 B.C.). This judgement was supported by the fact that Teleilat Ghassul, famed as one of the best examples of the Chalcolithic period, lies only a few kilometres down the road.

Miss Betts admits to being a "bit disappointed" at not finding any more Chalcolithic remains but is excited about some very lovely glass pieces, including delicately worked glass handles, discovered at what obviously was an industrial complex of some sort.

Although it has been suggested that this complex could have been a sugar factory the favoured speculation at the moment seems to be that it was a glass factory.

Amiantit employees who have been closely following the progress of the dig are intrigued at finding out that they are not part of the first enterprise to set up base in the wasteland of one of the lowest spots on earth.

Mr. Jad Hubeishy, District Manager of Amiantit Jordan, told the Jordan Times this week that Amiantit is eager to cooperate with the Department of Antiquities because as a relatively new venture in Jordan: "We are always looking for expansion opportunities and the sooner we find out if the land can be used or not the better it will be for us. On the other hand, if something really interesting and important were to be uncovered we would be just as happy to have contributed to the excavation work."

Although the land being exca-

vated will only be used to store stacks of asbestos-cement bags and plastic pipes in the near future it is quite possible the factory will expand sometime in the future and need the land containing antiquities.

The first work at Tel Sarabit took place last summer when a team from the department headed by Mr. Imseif Suleiman opened two trenches on the west side of the mound. The cost of this work, as well as the cost of the most recent work done under Miss Betts' direction was borne by Amiantit.

The two trenches opened by Mr. Suleiman revealed the industrial complex and an Islamic burial site.

During the latest dig, Miss Betts opened a new trench which she hoped would bring to light the best remains because of its centrality on the mound which is now almost worn flat from erosion and which could not be recognised as an archaeological site by an inexperienced eye.

The only things this trench has revealed are a series of stone walls, probably domestic walls, which contain some re-used stones.

Miss Betts also continued work on the trench containing the

industrial complex. It was here that she found nice finished glass pieces and some bronze pins. Just two days before she was due to pack up, down tents and head back for Amman a stone well was uncovered in the same trench with water channels connecting to the rest of the complex.

Although Miss Betts thinks it quite likely to have been a glass factory she would have been more convinced had she found lots of waste glass pieces as well as the finished pieces.

Dr. Hadidi was impressed by Miss Betts' neat excavating and expects a report of the results in a week or so. It is on this report that the department will base its decision to whether the site should be protected or whether Amiantit can continue work.

Miss Betts thinks there is probably nothing more of value to be obtained from the site but the last word will be from the department which may conceivably decide to fence the site off pending one final period of work there.

All Miss Betts' finds so far have been dated to the Ayyubid-Mamluk period (11th, 12th and 13th centuries). The previous dig at the site brought to light artifacts of other periods.

The absence of any real evidence of dwellings could be

because houses in the Jordan Valley tended to be—and still are—made of mud brick which would have been eroded away over the years leaving no remains, Dr. Hadidi said.

The Department of Antiquities commended Amiantit's initiative as "wonderful" and hopes may set a precedent for cooperation with other companies in the future.

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ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RA'I THURSDAY says that the lack of Arab coordination and independent Arab strength are factors which compelled President Sadat to press forward with his plans to conclude a separate peace treaty with Israel.

Unfortunately, the paper continues, the same circumstances are still prevalent in the Arab World, and it is this fact which His Majesty King Hussein will be discussing with Saudi leaders in Riyadh. The Arabs are invited to change the present status quo, otherwise there will be new disasters.

The oil-producing countries which constitute an easy prey for the enemy, are called upon to shoulder their responsibilities and lend more support to Jordan, the paper adds. So long as Jordan remains strong, the security of these countries will be assured, it says.

The bilateral treaty will be signed, and the Arabs ought to prepare themselves for negative repercussions, the paper concludes.

AL DUSTOUR says that the United States, which succeeded in talking Egypt into abandoning the Arabs, has so far failed in dealing with the real core of the Middle East problem, namely the Palestinian issue.

Washington has created a rift in Arab ranks, yet it is not satisfied with what it has done. It is either trying to drag more Arabs into the Camp David coalition or attempting to neutralise some Arab states either through persuasion or intimidation. Recently U.S. Senator Frank Church, the paper continues, came up with a new U.S. technique designed to force Jordan to submit to the will of Washington: Senator Church has suggested suspending U.S. aid to Jordan, although he knows well that exercising pressures on the Arabs will not succeed in dividing them.

Arab resistance to U.S. pressures does not mean that they are opposed to peace. Rather it means that they are against any action which jeopardises their right to adopt a nationalistic stand to protect themselves against capitulation, which Washington is trying to impose on them, the paper concluded.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Photo Exhibit

The French Cultural Centre is displaying a photo exhibit on "80 Years of French Cinema" during regular hours.

French Film

The French Cultural Centre presents a film by Valerian Borowczyk entitled "Blanche". The film starts at 7:30 p.m.

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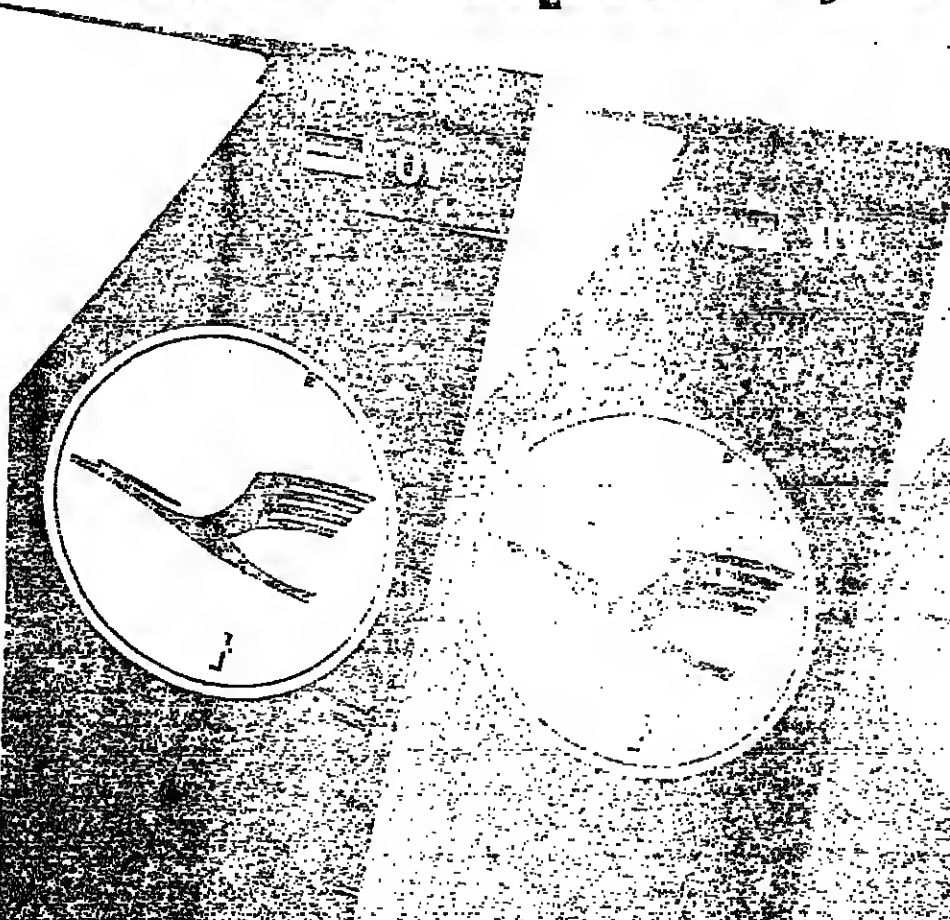
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EXHIBITION

The exhibition of photos and posters commemorating the history of the French cinema is on at the French Cultural Centre until the end of March. The exhibition is open during regular hours.

CONCERT

March 26: The Goethe Institute presents a piano recital by Haya Arts Centre at 7:30 p.m. Ulrich Meekies will perform by Beethoven.

FILMS

March 23: The French Cultural Centre presents a film Borowczyk, entitled "Blanche" (1971), starring Lijia Brancie and Jacques Perrin. The film is black and white with Arabic subtitles, and begins at 8:00 p.m. at the same time on Saturday and Sunday.

March 27: The Goethe Institute presents a film by the French director, entitled "Das Messer im Rücken" (1975), starring Helmut Lange. The film is in colour and is shown at 8:00 p.m.

March 29: The Goethe Institute presents two children's films. The first film is on this year's GCE film festival, entitled "Stephen and the White Birds" (1958), and is in Arabic.

DOCUMENTARY FILMS

March 26: The last three films showing at the French Cultural Centre are on the history of the French cinema continue with "L'Art classique et libération," and on WEDNESDAY, at the same time, the film is "Tradition de qualité."

LECTURES

March 24: In cooperation with the Faculty of Technology of the Jordan University, the Centre presents a lecture on town planning by German architect, Ulrich Schaffelz, entitled "Developing Countries and Goals" at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Schaffelz will give a lecture on SUNDAY, March 25, entitled "Zoning, Planning and the Image of the City" at 11:00 a.m. Both lectures take place in lecture room C 206 at the Faculty of Technology.

March 28: The Spanish Cultural Centre presents Mr. Tarik Sharif of the Institute of Art in Damascus, lectures on Goya" (in Arabic) at 7:00 p.m.

EXCURSION

March 25: The Friends of Archaeology are going on a tour in the Jordan Valley, starting out from the Dept. of Archaeology at 9:00 a.m. The first stop is Tell Deir Alla, with Dr. Ibrahim and Dr. G. van der Kooij conducting the tour, and stop is Tell Mazar, with the tour conducted by Dr. Ibrahim.

Tourism ministry to have Aqaba master plan made

By Terry McBryde
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, March 22—Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities has begun negotiations with a consultant company for a master plan on tourism development of the Jordanian coast south of Aqaba, a ministry official told the Jordan Times on Monday.

A previous study dealt with the divisions of the southern coast into zones for industrial, maritime and tourism projects. Five and one-half kilometres were designated for tourism development, Director of Planning and Development Abdul Khader Shuman said.

The new study will include plans for a public beach, restaurant, catering, campgrounds, hotels, flats and showers. To develop domestic tourism of Jordanians going to Aqaba the plan would provide for furnished flats with kitchens to be rented at a lower cost than hotel rooms. The operating expense of the flats would be less than that required for hotels where more personnel are necessary.

The greatest expense for Jordanians going to Aqaba is food, Mr. Shuman said. The flats would allow them to cook their own meals at considerable savings.

The agreement for the study is expected to be reached in a couple of months and the study itself should take about 13 months for completion.

Private companies will then have to invest according to the new plans. For example, private companies could lease land for building and running the flats. A residential village for workers in the industrial and tourism fields will also be located in the zone designated for tourism development.

After the study is completed the government will install electricity, water and sewerage.

By Rami G. Khouri
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, March 22—Jordan this month made regional history as a humanitarian act when it became the first of the Middle East countries to open its doors to a team from the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) to visit and inspect all places of detention in the country.

A communiqué about this matter was issued simultaneously in Amman and Geneva this week naming the 13 detention, rehabilitation and correctional centres in Jordan that were visited by the Red Cross team.

The head of the ICRC delegation in Jordan, Mr. Nicolas de Rougemont, who is permanently based in Amman, told the Jordan Times here today that his visits to the 13 centres over a period of one month "went very smoothly" and that he had enjoyed very good and full cooperation from both civilian and military authorities in Jordan.

The significance of these visits is that they mark the first time that any of the states in the Arab-Israeli conflict have invited the ICRC to visit all its detention and rehabilitation centres, and to have full freedom of access to all the detainees, whether of that state's nationality or otherwise.

In most cases, the ICRC only visits prisoners who are usually of a different nationality than that of the country in which they are being detained. But the visits here allowed the Red Cross team, which included a Red Cross doctor and interpreter, to speak privately with all Jordanian and non-Jordanian detainees.

As is usual in such Red Cross visits, Mr. De Rougemont said, the ICRC team made a detailed report on physical and psychological conditions in the detention, rehabilitation and correctional centres, with precise details on such matters as the capacity of the centres and their actual number of detainees, the quarters of the detainees for sleeping and normal daytime activities; hygiene and medical facilities; food and canteen facilities; clothing; work opportunities; leisure and physical exercise opportunities; reading and study opportunities; relations with the outside world, such as letters, visits and parcels; treatment and discipline; and religious observance.

The ICRC team also talked privately with the detainees it wanted to see and investigated complaints that detainees asked to be officially transmitted to the Jordanian authorities. Visits always started and ended with detailed discussions with the directors of the detention centres.

A verbal report has been given by the ICRC to concerned Jordanian ministers and other national authorities, and a detailed written report will follow soon. The verbal report made during the past month includes the "observations, remarks and suggestions" of the Red Cross delegation.

Following is the official English-language text of the statement issued simultaneously by the Jordanian government in Amman and the ICRC in Geneva, Switzerland.

"The concerned authorities of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan have invited the International Committee of the Red Cross, in accordance with its traditional humanitarian activities, to visit all places of detention in Jordan.

"Consequently, the following visits were carried out by a team of ICRC delegates, including a doctor-delegate and an ICRC interpreter:

-Mahatta Rehabilitation and Correctional Centre: 8, 9, 10 and 11 February 1979.
-General Intelligence Department in Amman: 10 February.
-Zarka Military Prison: 11 and 12 February.
-Madaba Prison: 14 February.
-Karak Prison: 15 February.
-Tafilah Prison: 15 February.
-Mafraq Prison: 17 February.
-Aqaba Prison: 18 February.
-Salt Prison: 21 February.
-Jerash Prison: 21 February.
-Irbid Prison: 21 and 22 February.
-Kura Prison: 1 March.
-Ajlun Prison: 1 March.
-Ruseifah Police Prison: 11 March.

TODAY'S WEATHER

The weather will continue to be warm and hazy with medium and high clouds; wind will be northwesterly moderate. In Aqaba there will be hazy weather with northerly moderate winds and calm seas.

	Temperatures	
	Overnight minimum	Daytime maximum
Amman	12	24
Aqaba	18	34
Deserts	11	27
Jordan Valley	14	30

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RATES

U.S. dollar	298.00/300.00
U.K. sterling	608.00/612.00
West German mark	160.00/161.00
Swiss franc	176.00/178.00
French franc	69.50/69.90
Italian lire	(for every 100)
Japanese yen	35.50/35.70
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Jordan Cement Factories	JD 10,000	371	14,800	14,900	14,700
Jordan Phosphate Mines	JD 1,000	2,013	2,140	2,150	2,140
Arab Pharmaceutical Co.	JD 5,000	5,777	20,200	—	20,200
Housing Bank	JD 1,000	431	1,150	1,160	1,150
Jordan Gulf Bank	JD 1,000	848	10,150	1,060	10,060
Dar Al-Awda Development and Investment Co.	JD 1,000	6,429	2,200	2,350	2,320
Jordan Electricity Co.	JD 1,000	1,360	1,360	1,380	1,380
Jordan Pipes Manufacturing Co.	JD 10,000	505	10,100	10,150	10,100
The Arab International Hotels Co.	JD 1,000	1,680	690	710	700

Total volume traded, Thursday, March 22: JD 24,612

Total number of shares traded: 9,528

Government Development Bonds	Par Value	Volume Traded	Number Traded	Year of Maturity	Selling Price
	JD 5,000	4,261,850	850	79	5,015
	JD 5,000	1,238,780	241	80	5,140
	JD 5,000	510,000	100	85	5,100
	JD 10,000	406,800	40	88	10,170

Total volume traded: JD 6,417

Total number of bonds traded: 1,231

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WEDNESDAY	08:55	11:10
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THURSDAY	08:55	11:10
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JORDAN TIMES SPORTS ROUNDUP

Basketball Roundup

NEW YORK, March 22 (AP) — The Washington Bullets downed the New York Knicks Wednesday, 119 to 106. Although missing two starters and their top reserve, the Bullets rallied behind Elvin Hayes' 30 points and 22 rebounds to beat the Knicks. Kevin Grevey, Bobby Dandridge and Mitch Kupchak all missed their second straight game but Greg Ballard and Dave Corzine each chipped in with 15 points as the Bullets won their fourth in a row. Toby Knight led the Knicks with 21 points.

In other games, the Pacers topped the Bulls 114 to 105. Billy Knight led six Pacers in double figures with 24 points. The Pacers took a 31-30 lead with 10 seconds remaining in the first period and never trailed again. Mike Bantom added 17 points to the Indian attack while Artis Gilmore led the Bulls with 25 points.

San Antonio Spurs 123, Kansas City Kings 116. San Antonio's defeat of Kansas City in the battle of division leaders snapped a four-game losing streak. The Spurs were led by George Gervin and Larry Kenon, who scored 24 and 23 points respectively.

Philadelphia 76ers 114, Houston Rockets 108. The Sixers completed a rare sweep of the Texas teams, snapping the Rockets' four-game winning streak. Philadelphia had beaten San Antonio Tuesday night. Julius Erving scored 22 points, eight in the final quarter, to lead the Sixers, who blocked 16 Houston shots while recording their fourth victory in their last five games. Moses Malone led the Rockets with 26 points and 21 rebounds, both game highs.

Phoenix Suns 134, Boston Celtics 115. Walter Davis, Paul Westphal and Alan Adams combined for 84 points as the Suns swamped the Celtics, who played without player-coach Dave Cowens. Phoenix built a 22-point lead midway through the second quarter and coasted the rest of the way.

San Diego Clippers 106, Golden State Warriors 103. Lloyd Free hit the 30-point mark for the 14th time this season and became the second player to reach the 2,000 point mark as the Clippers sailed past Golden State.

Free finished the game with 35 points while rookie Raymond Townsend of the Warriors doubled his previous career high, scoring 24. The loss mathematically eliminated Golden State from the playoffs.

Portland Blazers 114, Los Angeles Lakers 110. The Blazers beat Los Angeles as Maurice Lucas' jump with 14 seconds remaining proved the margin of difference. The Blazers committed just eight turnovers, one in the entire second half, as they improved their road record to 9-27 on the season and their overall mark to 39-33.

Olympics president warns against apartheid debate

LAUSANNE, March 22 (AP) — The President of the International Olympic Committee, Lord Killanin, warned Thursday that a United Nations debate on apartheid in sports might "threaten the unity of the Olympic movement." In a press statement, Mr. Killanin said U.N. consideration of a proposed draft for an international convention against apartheid could lead to wide-

spread discrimination on political grounds. The convention, the statement said, would forbid any athlete, team or individual to compete with South Africa or Rhodesia. Although the I.O.C. has withdrawn recognition of both countries, Mr. Killanin said that approval of the convention "could open the door to pressures exercised by governments...in order to boycott or refuse their teams to participate in competitions on political grounds. This could threaten the unity of the Olympic movement and, in the I.O.C.'s opinion, weaken the forces opposing racism and apartheid." The Killanin statement said. Stressing the I.O.C. has opposed racism and apartheid in sport, the statement warned that withdrawal of a delegation, team or individual entered for the Olympic games "shall constitute a breach of the I.O.C. charter." In this event, it added, national Olympic committees face suspension. "This is why the I.O.C. would once again like to draw the attention of the national Olympic committees to the necessity of observing the Olympic rules, which forbid discrimination on the grounds of race, religion and politics," the statement concluded.

France criticised for inviting S. African rugby teams

PARIS, March 22 (R) — France runs the risk of sporting isolation if the government does not withdraw invitations for two South African rugby teams to tour here this year, anti-racism campaigner Albert Levy said today. Mr. Levy, General Secretary of the French movement against racism (MRSP), told a press conference the group planned to pressure the government to dissociate itself from the French Rugby Federation's plans to receive a Transvaal selection next month and the Springbok national side in October. Sam Ramsamy, President of the South African Non-Racial Olympic Committee (SAN-ROC), said both touring sides would be "all white teams with a few token blacks included in defiance of opposition to the tour." Mr. Ramsamy, who lives in exile in London, said he came to Paris to lobby Sports Minister Jean Pierre Soisson in the hope of persuading the French authorities to force cancellation of the visits. "We will do everything possible to stop these racist teams coming," he said, adding that if the tours took place African countries could boycott the 1980 Moscow Olympic Games or force France to withdraw. "We are very, very worried by the fact that, if these tours take place, the world's sporting spotlight will be focused on France on the eve of the Moscow games," Mr. Levy said. "By standing alongside the South Africans, France is isolating itself from world sport," he added. The President of the French Rugby Federation, Albert Ferrasse, said in an interview this week that the Springbok tour would take place as planned this autumn, on condition that black and coloured players were included in the squad. In a state radio broadcast beamed to Africa, Mr. Ferrasse discounted the possibility of an African Olympic boycott. He said he would only agree to call off the Springbok tour if the government banned it. Earlier this year, Mr. Soisson said the government would not intervene to prevent the South Africans coming. But Mr. Ramsamy said he handed in a letter to the Sports Ministry yesterday, and was assured that Mr. Soisson would consider SAN-ROC's argument.



Guy Ligier

PARIS — The Argentine Grand Prix: first, Jacques Laffite; fourth, Patrick Depailler, both in a Ligier. Brazil Grand Prix: first, Jacques Laffite; second, Patrick Depailler.

The fine beginning to the season in "formule 1" gave French drivers a double triumph and enabled Jacques Laffite to become the driver with the most titles in the French Class 1 when he won his third success.

This French success is the fruit of a remarkable teamwork around the two drivers, carried out by the boss of the racing stable, the sporting director and his assistants, the mechanics and the manufacturer. It is also perhaps—and above all—the success of one man.

With his wide, stubborn forehead, his boxer's flat nose and solid build of the rugby player he used to be, he even played in France's "B" team. Guy Ligier has succeeded in the last few years in imposing his stocky silhouette and his receding hairline in the Formula one racing world.

Before coming to car racing, Guy Ligier was already an experienced sportsman, rugby, rowing (one time as champion of France) and motorcycle racing (French champion for 500 cc in 1959). With the little money he won as motorcycle champion, he bought a mechanical shovel and in a few years, built up a public works business: 1,200 workers and 500 ear-

A craftsman who became race king

thwork machines. In 1971, he was obliged to close the business but, two years earlier, he had already built his first car.

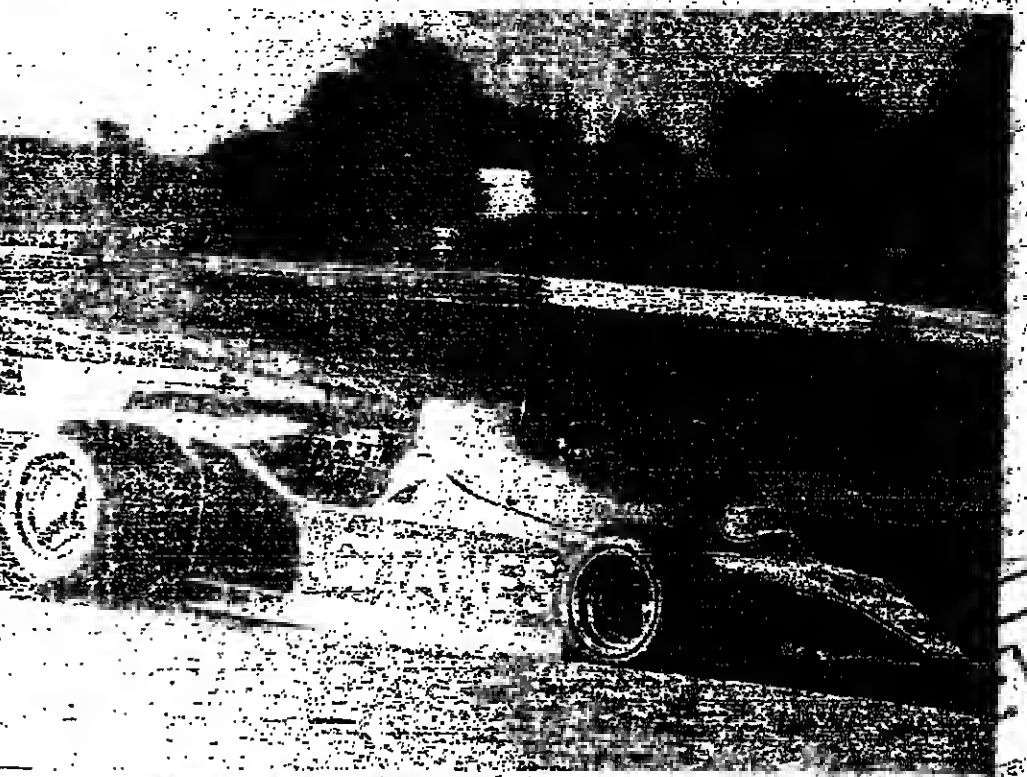
Ten years later, after many difficulties, he met real success. "Married" to Citroen through Maserati, he put together the "Citroen-SM" in his workshops. But the petrol crisis reduced his efforts to nothing. Guy Ligier had to lay off most of his staff, just keeping a nucleus of "indispensables". But, refusing to give up easily, he went over to making cabins for farm

tractors.

His enthusiasm for racing cars has never slackened. Yet, in August 1966, his car blew up on the Nurburgring circuit in West Germany. He suffered 47 fractures and the doctors wanted to cut off one of his legs. He refused—and, four months later, was back on the race track. But he gave up driving when his friend Jo Schlesser was killed in a race, and then went in for construction. He never forgot his friend and partner: the initials "JS" on his cars are those

of Jo Schlesser. That is the story of a small craftsman who rose to the level of a Ferrari. Ligier is not content with his laurels. He considers the two recent successes in Argentina and Brazil a beginning. The hard work is still to come. "Accidents are still to come," he says. "For it is progress, others will be in overtaking us."

(The French Broadcasting)



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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
by Merr Arnold and Bob Lee

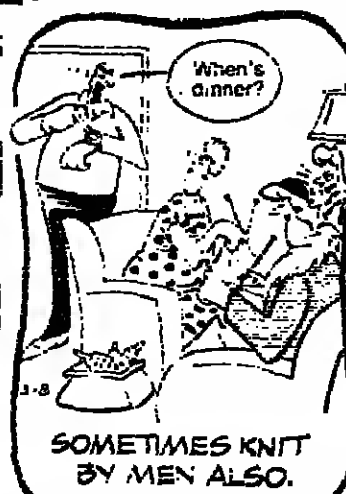
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Yesterday's Jumbles: MIRTH LOONY GAIETY LACING
Answer: One too many for a couple — A TRIO

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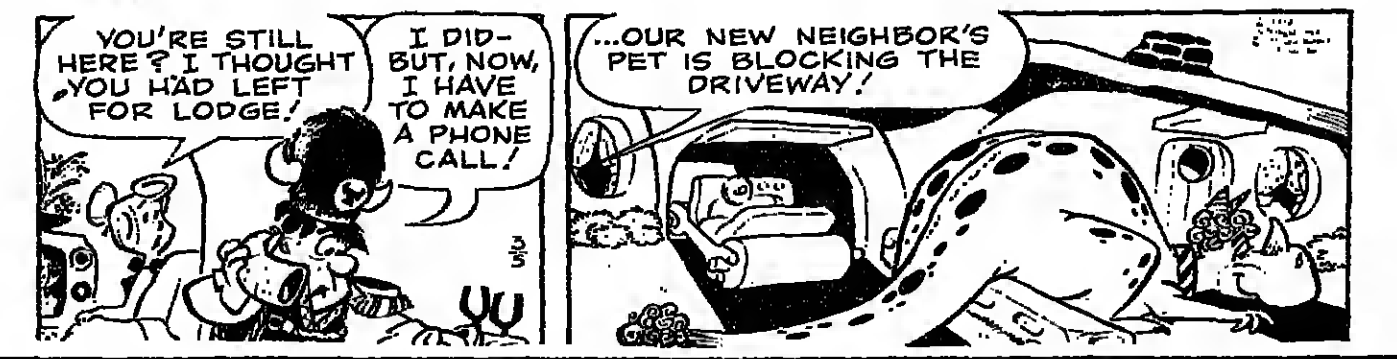
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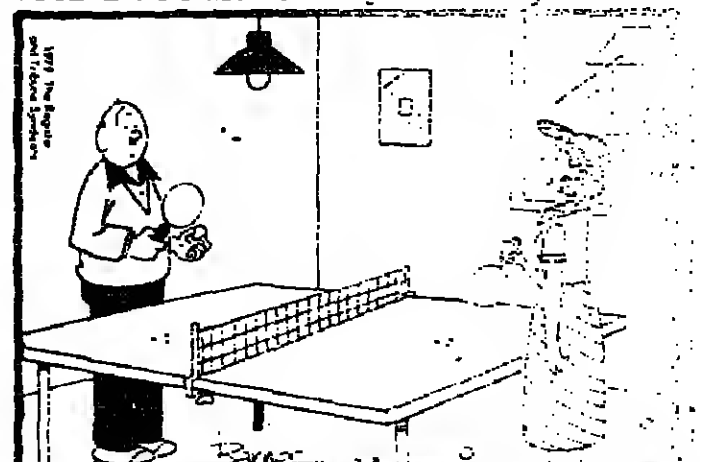


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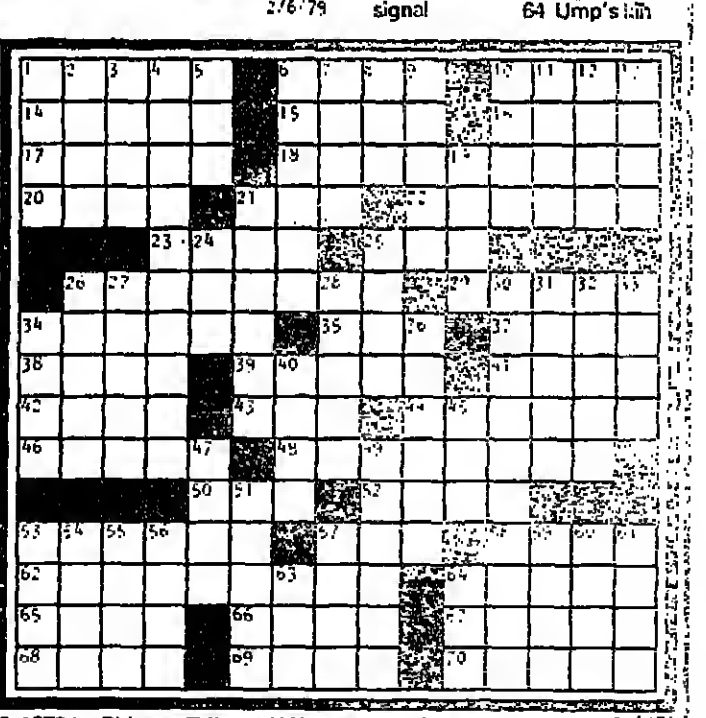


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			43 On a cruise
			44 Scream
			45 Bulling
			46 cry
			47 Ump's in



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BBC RADIO

GMT	13:30 Radio Theatre
04:00	Newsweek
04:30	Letter from London, Play Choice
04:45	Patented News: Reflections
05:00	News, 24 Hours
05:30	Sarah Ward
05:45	World Today
06:00	Newsweek: Press Review
06:30	These Islands
06:45	News, 24 Hours
07:00	World Today
07:15	Music note
07:30	Merchandise
07:45	News: Reflections
08:00	News: Press Review
08:15	World Today
08:30	Financial News
08:45	World Ahead
09:00	Music: News
09:15	Merchandise
09:30	News: Navy
09:45	World Today
10:00	News: News about Britain
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12:30	News: News about Britain
12:45	World Today
13:00	News: News about Britain

VOICE OF AMERICA

GMT	19:00 News Roundup
01:30	The Breakfast Show
02:00	News, pop music, features, interviews
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JORDAN TELEVISION

CHANNEL 3	19:10 Religious Programme
16:00	Arabic programme
16:15	Cartoon
16:30	Space adventures
16:45	Children's programme
17:00	Cultural film
17:15	Religious programme
17:30	Adventures
17:45	Arabic programme
18:00	Financial
18:15	News
18:30	News
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AMMAN AIRPORT

ARRIVALS:	DEPARTURES:
7:50 Cairo	7:30 Agfa
8:15 Kuwait	8:45 Beirut (MEA)
8:30 Ram Al Khayma, Abu Dhabi (RJGH)	8:55 Cairo (EAT)
10:00 Amman	11:30 Frankfurt
11:50 Kuwait (KAC)	12:45 Kuwait (KAC)
13:30 Jordan, Medina (SDI)	13:40 Cairo
15:30 New York	14:45 Medina, Jeddah (SDI)
17:00 Paris	15:30 Damascus
17:30 Madrid, Athens	16:30 Kuwait
17:30 Paris, Beirut (EAT)	16:30 Dubai, Karachi
18:00 London, Geneva	17:30 Cairo
18:15 Rome	22:55 Doha, Muscat (RJ GF)
18:30 Cairo	02:45 Tehran
19:00 Beirut (MEA)	
21:15 Frankfurt, Munich, Damascus (LH)	
20:40 Damascus	
01:45 Cairo	

EMERGENCIES

Director:	Jabal Al Humein (38410)
Amman:	Amman (159551)
Uttam Abdul Raheem	Amman (159551)
Muhammad Al Turk (130273)	Amman (159551)
Zargat:	Amman (159551)
Alman Haddid	Amman (159551)
Samer Jaf Al Sabbagh	Amman (159551)
Pharmacies:	Amman (159551)
Amman:	Amman (159551)
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CULTURAL CENTRES (Amman)

American Centre	Tel. 41520
British Council	Tel. 41478
French Cultural Centre	Tel. 37009
Georgian Institute	Tel. 41993
Soviet Cultural Centre	Tel. 44203
Spanish Cultural Centre	Tel. 24049
Haya Arts Centre	Tel. 45145
Hussein Youth Ctr.	Tel. 47141
W.M.A.A.	Tel. 47199
Amman Municipal Library	Tel. 36111
University of Jordan Library	Tel. 36111
Clad Museum	Tel. 36111
Folklore Museum	Tel. 36111

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS (Amman)

Ambulance (government)	Tel. 75111
Civil defence force	Tel. 328-937
Jordan Electric Power Co. (emergency)	Tel. 36111-2
Municipal water service (emergency)	Tel. 37111-3
Police headquarters	Tel. 37111-3
Najdah (young women reserve police) English	Tel. 37111-3
Spoken 24 hours a day for emergency	Tel. 37111-3
Jordan Information (ALIA)	Tel. 37111-3
Radio, English Section	Tel. 37111-3
Fire, fire, police	Tel. 37111-3
Fire headquarters	Tel. 37111-3

CULTURAL CENTRES (Damascus)

Al Humein Theatre	Tel. 226-448
Al Shifa Art Gallery	Tel. 226-448
American Centre	Tel. 226-448
Arab Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
Bulgarian Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
British Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
French Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
German Democratic Republic Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
Italian Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
Japanese Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
Polish Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
Russian Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
Spanish Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
Ukrainian Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448
Yugoslav Cultural Centre	Tel. 226-448

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS (Damascus)

Ambulance (government)	Tel. 90
Chief of Consulate	Tel. 118-334
Electric Power Co. (emergency)	Tel. 223-587
Fire headquarters	Tel. 91
Information	Tel. 95-97
Municipal water service	Tel. 113-500

